- [ (D) IN THE EVENT THAT ANY ACTIVE VOLUNTEER FIREMAN OR CORPSMAN (HEREIN DEFINED AS ONE WHO HAS AT LEAST TWO (2) YEARS OF QUALIFYING SERVICE IN THE FIVE (5) PRECEDING YEARS) ATTAINS THE AGE OF SEVENTY (70) YEARS AND FAILS TO ACHIEVE THE REQUIRED TWENTY—FIVE (25) YEARS OF SERVICE, THEN THE VOLUNTEER IS ENTITLED TO A MONTHLY BENEFIT OF THE NUMBER OF YEARS OF CERTIFIED SERVICE COMPLETED MULTIPLIED BY FOUR DOLLARS (\$4.00). THESE BENEFITS SHALL BE PAYABLE IN THE NORMAL MANNER.]
- (D) IN THE EVENT ANY VOLUNTEER IS FATALLY INJURED OR DIES AS A RESULT OF PERFORMING THE SERVICES DESCRIBED IN THE ANNOTATED CODE OF MARYLAND, ARTICLE 101. PARAGRAPH 34 (A), HIS SPOUSE SHALL BE ENTITLED TO BENEFITS UNDER SECTION 2-2. BENEFITS., SUBSECTION (A) OR (B), WHICHEVER IS THE GREATEST. THESE BENEFITS SHALL COMMENCE ON THE FIRST DAY OF THE FIRST MONTH AFTER THE DEATH AND SHALL TERMINATE UPON DEATH OR REMARRIAGE OF THE SPOUSE.
- (E) IN THE EVENT THAT A QUALIFIED VOLUNTEER FIREMAN DIES, A BURIAL BENEFIT OF [[ONE THOUSAND FIVE HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$1,500.00)]] ONE THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$1,000) SHALL BE PAYABLE TO THE SPOUSE.

## SECTION 2-4. PERIODIC ADJUSTMENTS.

[(A) COMMENCING JULY 1, 1975, AND ANNUALLY THEREAFTER, A COST OF LIVING REVIEW SHALL BE MADE BY THE DIRECTOR OF ADMINISTRATION OF HARFORD COUNTY, TO ADJUST THE BENEFITS PROVIDED BY THIS ACT TO REFLECT THE THEN CURRENT COST OF LIVING INDEX. THE ADJUSTMENT SHALL INCREASE OR DECREASE THE BENEFITS AS NECESSARY TO MAINTAIN COMPARABLE PURCHASING VALUE OF THIS PROGRAM. REVISED OR REVIEWED BENEFITS SHALL COMMENCE ON OCTOBER 1, OF THE YEAR.]

PERIODICALLY THE DIRECTOR OF ADMINISTRATION AND THE HARFORD COUNTY FIRE CHIEF'S ASSOCIATION SHALL REVIEW THE BENEFITS PRESCRIBED IN THIS ACT AND SUCH REVIEW COULD INCREASE OR DECREASE THESE BENEFITS. REVISED BENEFITS, SUBJECT TO APPROVAL OF THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE AND THE COUNTY COUNCIL THROUGH THE BUDGET PROCESS, SHALL BE EFFECTIVE ON THE FIRST PAY PERIOD IN THE NEW FISCAL YEAR.

## SECTION 2-5. CERTIFICATION.

(A) IT IS THE RESPONSIBILITY OF EACH PARTICIPATING VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT/COMPANY OR AMBULANCE CORPS TO MAINTAIN DETAILED AND ACCURATE RECORDS FOR EACH VOLUNTEER MEMBER ON FORMS PRESCRIBED BY THE HARFORD COUNTY FIRE CHIEFS' ASSOCIATION [[AND APPROVED BY THE DIRECTOR OF ADMINISTRATION OF HARFORD COUNTY]].